

S.A. v. Johnson, 440 F.3d 648, 654 (4th Cir. 2006) (quoting Link v. Wabash R.R. Co., 370 U.S. 626, 630-31 (1962)). “[A]side from the interests of the individual parties in a lawsuit, a district court has an important interest in keeping its docket from becoming clogged with dormant cases . . .” Erline Co., 440 F.3d at 654.

For these reasons, the Complaint is DISMISSED for failure to comply with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 4(m) and failure to prosecute pursuant to Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff’s case is DISMISSED *without prejudice* for the reasons stated herein. The Clerk is respectfully DIRECTED to CLOSE THE CASE.

Signed: October 6, 2016

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank D. Whitney", written over a horizontal line.

Frank D. Whitney
Chief United States District Judge

